

RESOLUTION NO. _____

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, COUNTY OF SAN MATEO, STATE OF CALIFORNIA

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**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AND ACCEPTING THE GIFT OF PRO BONO
CONSULTANT SERVICES, VALUED AT APPROXIMATELY \$20,000, TO PREPARE
HOME ELECTRIFICATION CASE STUDIES**

RESOLVED, by the Board of Supervisors of the County of San Mateo, State of California, that

WHEREAS, the County of San Mateo Office of Sustainability (OOS) is developing home electrification case studies under the Bay Area Regional Energy Network (BayREN) Single-Family Residential sub-program to collect and share information about the costs and options for converting existing single-family homes to be all-electric; and

WHEREAS, County staff wish to contract with a consultant to provide project assistance and home electrification expertise; and

WHEREAS, on March 23, 2021, the OOS issued a Request for Qualifications (RFQ) for procuring services and received proposals from nine consultant teams, two of which staff invited for an interview; and

WHEREAS, the review committee comprised of Office of Sustainability staff and staff from external public agencies and program implementers evaluated and scored all proposals based on the criteria outlined in the RFQ, and ranked Josie Gaillard and Tom Kabat as the best overall proposal due to their qualifications, experience, and innovative approach to the home electrification case studies; and

WHEREAS, subsequent to the determination of the award to Josie Gaillard and Tom Kabat as the most qualified bidders, Josie and Tom made the decision to provide a gift of pro bono consultant services, valued at approximately \$20,000, to prepare the home electrification case studies; and

WHEREAS, Josie Gaillard and Tom Kabat are members of the Menlo Park Environmental Quality Commission, out of an abundance of caution, they made the decision to provide this gift of pro bono services to avoid any appearance of conflict; and

WHEREAS, the home electrification case studies will support San Mateo County in reducing greenhouse gas emissions by providing residents with valuable information regarding strategies and costs to switch from gas appliances to electric ones in their homes, helping to reduce harm to the environment and promoting human health and safety.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Supervisors by adoption of this resolution hereby accepts, on behalf of the County of San Mateo, the gift of pro bono consultant services, valued at approximately \$20,000, to prepare the home electrification case studies and authorizes and directs the Director of the Office of Sustainability, or the Director's designee to execute the gift agreement in connection with this gift.

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